

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1796  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR TIRE TREAD AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING THE  
SAME

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 30, 2009, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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